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**Scott Greenwood**

A constitutional rights attorney based in Cincinnati, Ohio, Scott Greenwood is nationally renowned for his passionate engagement in defending civil rights and civil liberties. His practice emphasizes enhanced accountability, transparency, and legitimacy in best-practices law enforcement. He also serves as general counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union, the nation's largest civil rights and civil liberties organization, and is a member of its national board. He previously served as general counsel to the ACLU of Ohio, overseeing its litigation across the state.

Greenwood has dedicated over 25 years to constitutional and complex litigation in federal courts. Individually and in concert with legal teams, he has challenged discriminatory race-based police practices; worked collaboratively with police departments to effect profound and sustainable change; contested discriminatory race-based adoption and foster care practices; tackled racial profiling and police misconduct cases; questioned assignment and conditions of Ohio's Supermax prison; provided counsel in cases involving medical conditions in jail; pursued Ohio's failure to administer a compliant child support program; and stood up for

unpopular speakers in the successful invalidation of content- and viewpoint-based speech regulation for Cincinnati's Fountain Square, representing members of the Ku Klux Klan, the Nation of Islam, as well as a conservative political publisher. He was a member of the Pittsburgh Working Group on Police Pattern or Practice Litigation in 2009, helping to provide a roadmap to the new administration in resuming Section 14141 cases, and currently serves as special counsel to the City of Albuquerque in its police reform process.

From 2002 to 2008, Greenwood served as lead counsel and led a team that brought together the African-American community, the ACLU, the Black United Front, the City of Cincinnati Police Department and the FOP to forge what has been widely acknowledged as the most comprehensive and successful police reform agreement in America. He also was the principal negotiator and architect of a global settlement fund for all then-existing race-based policing claims in Cincinnati, achieving the then-largest racial profiling police misconduct damage settlement in the country. This collaborative approach to ensuring effective and fully constitutional policing transformed the community and turned it into a model for other cities. The spirit of collaboration that transformed Cincinnati also led Greenwood in 2012 to found Greenwood & Streicher, LLC with his principal adversary from the decade before, Tom Streicher, Cincinnati police chief from 1999-2011. Greenwood & Streicher works to promote enhanced accountability in law enforcement and promote collaborative and fully constitutional policing throughout the U.S. and beyond.

In addition to serving as a member of numerous nonprofit boards and commissions, Greenwood is a highly sought-after speaker on constitutional rights, civil liberties and complex litigation for organizations including the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), Police Executive Research Forum (PERF), Institute for the Prevention of In-Custody Deaths, National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE), National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement, Department of Justice National Symposium, FBI National Academy, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, NAACP, Urbanshield, American Judicature Society, Communications Workers of America, National Coalition of Public Safety Officers, Log Cabin Republicans, Kentucky League of Cities and ACLU chapters and affiliates around the country. He has also lectured internationally throughout Canada and in Argentina, Colombia, Japan, and The Netherlands.

Greenwood was named "2003 Ohio Lawyer of the Year" by Lawyer's Weekly and has been recognized on the Best Lawyers in America list since 1994. Other honors

include awards from the NAACP Cincinnati Branch, the Black Lawyers Association of Cincinnati, the Cincinnati Bar Association and Stonewall Cincinnati for actions such as police practice challenges resulting in landmark reform agreements and a challenge to Cincinnati's anti-gay charter amendment. In 2005, Toledo passed a proclamation for "Scott Greenwood Day" for his civil liberties work in Ohio. Greenwood earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Chicago Law School, with the designation of Bradley Fellow in Law and Government. He received a Bachelor of Arts in classics and Latin literature from Miami University, where he graduated summa cum laude as a Montgomery and Bishop Scholar.

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